projects to the Ministry of Women and Child Development during 2004-2005 and 2005-2006.

Sl. No.	Name of the Schemes/Projects	No. of Proposals
1.	Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme	(i) 23 projects (ii) 6659 AWCs.
2.	Swawlamban	110 projects
3.	STEP	10 projects
4.	Working Women Hostels	09 projects
5.	Swadhar	14 projects
6.	Short Stay Homes	41 homes
7.	Awareness Generation Programms	29 camps
8.	Condensed Courses	48 courses
9.	Family Counselling Centres	06 centres
10.	Juvenile/special/children Home	08 homes

Malnutrition in the country

705. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY:
SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether malnutrition in children is increasing in the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise position of malnutrition in children;

(c) whether the UNICEF has in its report stated that malnutrition in children in India is rising alarmingly;

(d) whether it is also a fact that more then 60 per cent of malnourished children are in Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Rajasthan;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Malnutrition in children is declining. The prevalence of underweight in children under 3 years in 1992-93 was 52% (National Family Health Survey-I), while in 1998-99 it came down to 47% (National Family Health Survey-II). However, State-wise prevalence of undernutrition among children under 3 years, as per National Family health Survey-II (1998-99), is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) No, Sir. As per the UNICEF report titled "Progress for Children— A Report Card on Nutrition" published in May, 2006, the proportion of underweight children in India is declining.

(d) and (e) About 48% (not 60%) of total underweight children (under 3 years) of India live in Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Rajasthan.

9.18% of these live in Maharashtra, 20.56% in Uttar Pradesh, 11.35% in Bihar and 7.06% in Rajasthan.

(f) Some of the nutrition related interventions being made by the Government are:

(i) Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme [Ministry of Women & Child Development];

(ii) Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls in 51 Districts to provide free food grains to undernourished adolescent girls and pregnant & nursing mothers [Ministry of Women & Child Development];

(iii) Nutrition Education & Training Programmes of Food & Nutrition Board [Ministry of Women & Child Development];

(iv) National Rural Health Mission including Iron and Folic Acid, and Vitamin A Supplementation programmes [Ministry of Health & Family Welfare];

(v) National Iodine Deficiency Disorders Control Programme [Ministry of Health & Family Welfare];

(vi) Integrated Management of Neonatal and Childhood Illness (IMNCI) [Ministry of Health & Family Welfare];

(vii) National Programme for Nutritional support to Primary Education (Mid-day Meal Scheme) [Department of Elementary Education & Literacy];

(viii) Targeted Public Distribution System [Department of Food & Consumer Affairs].

Statement

State-wise Prevalence (%) of Underweight in Children Under 3 Years

State	Percentage of children under age three years (Underweight)
1	2
India	**47.0**
North	
Delhi	34.7
Haryana	34.6
Himachal Pradesh	43.6
Jammu & Kashmir	34.5
Punjab	28.7
Rajasthan	50.6
Central	
Madhya Pradesh	55.1
Uttar Pradesh	51.7
East	
Bihar	54.4
Orissa	54.4
West Bengal	48.7

1	2
North East	
Arunachal Pradesh	24.3
Assam	36.0
Manipur	27.5
Meghalaya	37.9
Mizoram	27.7
Nagaland	24.1
Sikkim	20.6
West	
Goa	28.6
Gujarat	45.1
Maharashtra	49.6
South	
Andhra Pradesh	37.7
Karnataka	43.9
Kerala	26.9
Tamil Nadu	36.7

Source: National Family Health Survey-II (1998-99)

Child marriages

706. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints/cases registered for flouting the Child Marriage Restraint Act during last five years and 2006, year-wise and State-wise;